IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 6, please amend the third paragraph as follows:

Referring to Figs. 1 and 2, the data eraser (A) includes a main body 1 of the eraser defining in the main body 1 a cavity 2 for insertion of a hard disk drive (M) in the cavity, a generator 3 in the main body 1 for generating a magnetic field, and a magnetic body 4 provided within the magnetic field generated by the generator 3. The main body extends continuously around the cavity 2.

Please amend the paragraph spanning pages 6 and 7 as follows:

A plate-like supporter 14 projects backwards in a horizontal position with its proximal end secured to the back face of the lid 12 so that the hard disk drive (M) is placed on the supporter 14. The supporter 14 is formed with such size as being inserted into the cavity 2 with carrying the drive (M) when the opening 11a of the casing 11 is closed by the lid 12 so that the disk dive (M) is contained entirely within the cavity 2. It is sufficient if the supporter 14 is capable of supporting the drive (M), and the supporter 14 is not limited to a plate shape. If users are to insert the drive (M) directly into the cavity 2 in the main body 1, the lid 12 may be mounted to the end having the opening either of the casing 11 or the outer covering 13 with a hinge or the like openably and closably.

Page 7, please amend the third full paragraph as follows:

The coil [[4]] 32 generates a magnetic field in such a direction as penetrating through the cavity 2 which is the internal space of the coil spool 31, by means of the direct-

current power supply circuit 5, and the magnetic field erases recorded data on a hard disk (not shown) in the drive (M).

Page 9, please amend the first full paragraph as follows:

With the switching device 54 of the DC power supply circuit 5 open, the eraser (A) is connected to the commercial alternating-current power source via the power cord 42. Thereafter, a hard disk drive (M) whose stored data is to be erased is put on the supporter 14 with the depth direction adjusted ~~hightwise~~ heightwise. Subsequently, insertion of the supporter 14 into the insertion cavity 2 and closing the opening 11a of the casing 11 with the lid 12 ~~insert~~ inserts the drive (M) into the cavity 2, as seen in Figs. 2 and 4, thereby to fully enclose the cavity 2.